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SOURCE

1. THE MAIN TOPIC OF CONVERSATION IN LUGANSK DURING AUG 1962 WAS THE NOVOCHERKASK UPRISING WHICH BEGAN AS A PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION OF YOUNG WORKERS AND STUDENTS TO PROTEST THE RISE OF PRODUCTION NORMS AND FOOD COSTS. ON THE SECOND DAY THE MAJORITY OF THE WORKERS INCLUDING MANY WOMEN JOINED THIS DEMONSTRATION WHICH INCLUDED ONLY MARCHES, PROTESTS AND SPEECHES.

2. AFTER SEVERAL DAYS WHEN THE ORDERS OF THE MILITIA AND PERSUASIVE ARGUMENTS OF PARTY OFFICIALS AND THE KGB HAD FAILED TO DISPERSE THE DEMONSTRATORS, THE PARTY LEADERS REQUESTED REINFORCEMENTS FROM ROSTOV WHICH COULD NOT ARRIVE BECAUSE SOME YOUTHS HAD TORN UP RAILWAY

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3. AFTER THE ENTIRE CITY POPULACE HAD JOINED THE DEMONSTRATORS THE SITUATION BECAME QUITE SERIOUS. A TANK UNIT THEN ARRIVED FROM ROSTOV TO PUT DOWN WHAT WAS OFFICIALLY TERMED AN UPRISING. WHEN THE TANK UNIT COMMANDER HEARD WHAT THE POPULACE WAS DEMONSTRATING AGAINST, HE TOLD HIS TROOPS THAT THE DEMONSTRATORS WERE NOT "COUNTER REVOLUTIONARIES" BUT "WORKING PEOPLE LIKE OURSELVES WHO ARE RIGHT", HE ANNOUNCED HE WOULD NOT ORDER THE TROOPS TO FIRE ON UNARMED YOUTHS, ORDERED THEM TO RETREAT AND THEN SHOT HIMSELF IN FULL VIEW OF HIS TROOPS, AFTER FIRST EXPLAINING HE WOULD BE SHOT ANYWAY FOR DISOBEYING ORDERS.

4. A FEW DAYS LATER SPECIAL DETACHMENTS OF "MONGOL" SOLDIERS ARRIVED AND IN THE ENSUING MASSACRE EVEN CHILDREN WERE NOT SPARED.

5. (SOURCE COMMENT: RESIDENTS OF LUGANSK SYMPATHIZED WITH AND GENERALLY ADMIRE THE DEMONSTRATORS AND WERE NOT COWED BY THE FAILURE OF THE UPRISING.

ON THE CONTRARY, GENERAL EXCITEMENT CONTINUED AND UNUSUALLY STRONG OPEN DISPLAYS OF ANTI REGIME FEELING, INCLUDING THREATS TO SLAUGHTER PARTY AND FACTORY OFFICIALDOM IN LUGANSK. ALL PERSONS OPENLY EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION AND ANGER, AND SEVERAL TOLD SOURCE THEY ONLY WAITING FOR SOMETHING TO HAPPEN. "JUST ONE SPARK AND THERE WILL BE A TERRIBLE CONFLAGRATION."

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